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On 9 November 1953, the former castle in Barby was occupied by about 300 to 400 troops with blue-bordered, red-bordered and black-bordered black epaulets; and red epaulets. Three columns, each of about 15 soldiers, marched to the Elbe River where they presumably prepared blocks for the blocking-up of vehicles. Timber for bridge construction was stored nearby. Source did not observe any training in the installation. A large farm, which was partially occupied by soldiers, was located about 100 meters north of the castle. Bridge building equipment was stored in the southward buildings. About 6 pontoons and about 4 trucks, were in the yard. The former monastery was occupied by a high school.

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